

Second Corinthians

Lesson #4

3:1-3 – A lesson in Relevance

Looking around today it seems that many people have lost their minds due to the absence of what we would call _____. Chapter 3 begins with Paul asking if they (he and his coworkers in bringing the Corinthians the gospel) now need to _____ themselves or even get _____ of commendation either _____ them or _____ them.

Have the _____ now become the instructors? In spite of this foolishness, Paul still calls them a letter of _____ written with the _____ of the Living God on tablets of _____.

3:4- 11 The apostle claims their “adequacy” is from _____ who made them adequate as servants of the _____. This covenant is not of the _____ but of the _____. The letter _____ but the Spirit gives _____.

- Adequacy for what?
- How do you see the differences in the two covenants contrasted here?
- With what glory did the “ministry of death” come?
- Why is it called the ministry of death?
- This same ministry is also called the ministry of _____
- The new ministry which is of the Spirit is said to be of _____
- The glory of the first _____ away but that of the other _____

3:12-18 Paul now writes, “Therefore, having such _____”, they use great boldness in their _____.

- ⇒ With what does he contrast this boldness?
- ⇒ How are Corinthians (Jews?) just like the ancient Israelites of Sinai?
- ⇒ Whenever one _____ to the Lord, the veil is _____
- ⇒ Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is _____
- ⇒ As we behold the _____ of the Lord, we are _____ into the same _____